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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

TO AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

INFO AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

SECSTATE WASHDC 6295

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E.O. 11652, GDS

TAGS: EGEN, EAID, TH, CB, LA

SUBJ: RICE FOR LAOS

REF: BANGKOK 13597

1. BECAUSE OF FURTHER DEALYS ON PART OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE WHICH MUST INSTRUCT PUBLIC WAREHOUSE ORGANIZATION TO SELL THE GLUTINOUS RICE FOR LAOS AND ON WHAT TERMS, ECON/CML COUNSELOR AND KRANKER OF USAID LAOS AGAIN CALLED ON COL. NARONG OF BIFGO AT FIRST AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY WHICH WAS SEPTEMBER 5.

2. NARONG EXPRESSED DISPLEASURE WITH COMMERCE MINISTRY FOR NOT ACTING ON BASIS OF NOTE REPORTED REFTEL. SAID HE WOULD CONTACT MINISTRY DIRECTLY AND THAT RICE WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE. IN RESPONSE TO STRESS BY OFFICERS ON CRITICAL NATURE OF RICE NEEDS IN BOTH LAOS AND CAMBODIA, NARONG AGAIN ASSERTED THAT THAILAND WOULD NOT  
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LET EITHER COUNTRY GO WITHOUT RICE. HE ALSO CONFIRMED RECENT PRESS ARTICLES IN LOCAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER

BY PWO OFFICIAL TO EFFECT THE PWO NOW HAD AVAILABLE ADEQUATE  
RICE TO FEED THAI PEOPLE IN BANGKOK - THONBURI UNTIL NEW  
CROP BECOMES AVAILABLE TOWARD END OF YEAR.

3. EMBASSY AGAIN FOLLOWING UP WITH COMMERCE MINISTRY  
OFFICIALS ON URGENT BASIS AND WILL INFORM VIENTIANE OF  
RESULTS ASAP.  
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